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Title: SELF-ALIGNED SHALLOW TRENCH ISOLATION
PROCESS HAVING IMPROVED POLYSILICON
GATE THICKNESS CONTROL

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